

# Obituaries

## Final Rites For Mr. Taylor

Joseph L. Taylor, 79-year-old longtime Boy Scout leader and owner of Taylor and Hayes Recapping Co., died Thursday at Charlotte Memorial Hospital. He lived at 912 Campus St.

A native Charlottean, Mr. Taylor worked in the tire business 47 years and was a former scout master and a scout supporter for nearly three decades.

He began his career as a shipping clerk and went on to work for what later became the Dayton Tire Co., for more than 45 years. In the late 1950's he devised a new procedure that enabled his company to more than double its production for passenger-car tire recapping.

He retired from Dayton in 1962 and became an owner of Taylor and Hayes Recapping Co.

Active in scouting since 1947, he was the scoutmaster of Troop 67 sponsored by Ebenezer Baptist Church where his scouts were usually aggressive young men who conducted fund raisings to pay for field trips and other scouting activities. Many of them were underprivileged and Mr. Taylor quickly would lend guidance, counseling and financial support to "his boys".

He also worked with the McCrorey YMCA for more than 20 years, serving as a member of the board of directors for 18 years. In addition to being one of the McCrorey YMCA's steadiest money raisers, he also got contributions to pay for membership for youngsters who could not afford the fees.

J. Robert Raye, member of the board of directors and president of the Progressive Family Club at the Y said that he found within the northwest Charlotte area several young men were helped by Taylor in some way.

"All boys benefited by knowing him; there was no such thing as an underprivileged boy when they met Joe Taylor."

Mr. Taylor, whom is best remembered as helping some youngsters through college, also was instrumental in building the old Camp Oaks for scouts in the late 1940's and served on the staff there. He was given the Silver Beaver Award, the highest award in scouting for his contributions.

He was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church where he was a deacon, member of the trustee board and president of the finance committee.

He is survived by his wife, Canary, and sons, Elmer D. Taylor of New York City and Theodore C. Taylor.

The funeral was held Saturday at Ebenezer Baptist Church.



**Joseph Taylor**  
Former businessman  
**EDISON KIRKPATRICK**

Funeral services were held recently for Edison Avon Kirkpatrick at Warren Memorial Methodist Church in Atlanta, Ga., with the Rev. P. Harold Gray officiating.

Interment was at the Westview cemetery for the 39-year-old gentlemen who was a victim of an automobile accident.

The Charlotte native was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Avon Kirkpatrick and a graduate of West Charlotte High School's Class of 1955 and the North Carolina A&T State University, where he received the Bachelor of Science Degree in Architectural Engineering. He also served in the Air Force for four years.

He was employed as an engineer by the United States Army Corps of Engineers; Jacksonville, Fla. at the Federal Aviation Administration office in Atlanta.

He is survived by his wife; Mrs. Joyce Collins Kirkpatrick; daughter, Donita Kirkpatrick; two sisters, Claudette Kirkpatrick and Novella Booker of Brooklyn, N.Y.; two grandmothers, Mrs. Eliza Gabriel and Mrs. Jessie Stroud of Charlotte; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends across the United States.

**ALEXANDER RAY**  
Alexander Ray, 36, of 3432 Sargeant Dr., died Saturday. Funeral was 2 p.m. Wednesday at Grier Funeral Home.

Survivors are wife, Aggie; son Alex D. Ray; daughters, Miss Bertha Ray, Miss Katrina Ray; parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ray; brothers, Charles Reeter, Samuel Reeter; sisters, Mrs. Mary King, Mrs. Fay Lynn, Mrs. Patricia McClain, Miss Margie Reeter.

**ANDREW SPRINGS**  
Andrew Springs, 43, of 340 Ramona Ave., died Thursday. Funeral was 2 p.m. Wednesday at New Pleasant Valley Baptist Church.

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He is active in numerous civic and professional organizations, including U.S. Army Reserves, the Charlotte Association of Life Underwriters, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

"Eddie B. Battle is an example of what professionalism is. We're proud of him," expressed company officials.

Survivors are wife, Veola; sons, L.E. Springs, Johnny Springs; daughters, Mrs. Jeanette Whitlock, Miss Debbie Ann Springs, Miss Angelo Renee Springs; father, Ernest Springs of Huntersville; brothers, Sylvester Springs, Charles Springs, both of Huntersville, Pvt. Roger L. Springs of Fort Jackson, Spencer Springs, T.C. Springs, Ernest Springs Jr., Robert L. Springs; sisters, Mrs. Justine Hall, Mrs. Lula Bell Connor, both of Huntersville, Mrs. Ella Mae Brown, Mrs. Annie Lee Mason, Mrs. Rosetta White; stepson, Luther Davis; stepdaughters, Mrs. Mary Simmons, Miss Annie L. Davis. Alexander is in charge.

**SAMMY MCCULLOUGH**  
Sammy Lee McCullough, 39, died Sunday. The funeral was 1 p.m. Friday at St. Paul Baptist Church.

Survivors are wife, Vermelle; son, Joel McCullough; daughter, Jenine McCullough; mother Mrs. Georgia McCullough of Philadelphia; brothers, Daniel McCullough of New Haven, Conn, Robert McCullough of Philadelphia, J.D. McCullough of Baltimore, Sgt. David McCullough of California; sisters, Mrs. Nancy Burrough of Philadelphia, Mrs. Joanne Reid of New Jersey; stepson, Phillip Bratton, Reginald Bratton; stepdaughter, Miss Phyllis Bratton. Alexander is in charge.

**MRS. PARNEICE MOORE**  
Mrs. Parneice Moore, 57, of 115 Belmont Rd. died Sunday. Funeral is 2 p.m. today at O'Connor Grove AME Zion Church. Burial was at Henry Chapel Church in Belmont.

Survivors are husband, William. Sons, Raymond Moore, Bryant Moore, both of Belmont, William Moore Jr., Solist Moore, daughters, Mrs. Deborah Lockhart, Miss Betty Moore, Miss Neveva Moore, Miss Pamela Moore, Miss Therese Moore, all of Belmont, Mrs. Rhetta Bass; brothers, Vernon Forney Sr., Carl Forney Sr., Charles Forney, all of Belmont; sisters, Miss Doretha Forney, Mrs. Inez Means, both of Belmont. Grier is in charge.

**MRS. MARY EVANS**  
Mrs. Mary Evans, 51, of 2116 LaSalle St. died Monday. Funeral is 2 p.m. Saturday at Sturdivant Funeral Home in North Wilkesboro.

Survivors are husband, Benjie; daughter, Miss Julie Evans; brothers, James McDowell of Columbus, Ohio, Jack Dowell of North Wilkesboro; sisters, Mrs. Corrine Beckton of Detroit, Mrs. Sarah Coleman of North Wilkesboro. Grier is in charge.

**MRS. MARY WITHERS**  
Mrs. Mary Blake Withers, of 2413 Dundee St., died Saturday. Funeral is 3 p.m. today at Memorial United Presbyterian Church.

Survivors are sons, Fred Withers of Philadelphia, Ulysses Withers; daughter, Mrs. Hattie Williams of Fort Mill. Alexander is in charge.

**MRS. DAISY WAITERS**  
Mrs. Daisy Ivey Waiters, 76, of 217 Turner Ave., died Saturday. Funeral is 2 p.m. today at Grier Funeral Home.

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### WBTV Gives

### Harris, Cozza

### New Duties

Bill Ballard, WBTV News and Information Director has announced that Gail Harris and Mike Cozza will accept new responsibilities at Channel 3.

Gail Harris will join John Wilson as co-anchor of WB TV's 6 o'clock "Scene Tonight" newscast, effective Monday, July 26. Harris replaces John Blunt who is leaving to attend law school in Detroit.

When making the announcement, Ballard commented he had "considered a number of prospects - from the current staff as well as from other stations. From the beginning, Gail's talent, experience and audience acceptability made her a leading candidate for the co-anchor spot."

Mike joined WBTV after working at WAYS radio in Charlotte.

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